Poorest and richest districts in the country

1668. SHRI C.O. POULOSE: Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the names of ten most advanced and richest districts in the country;

(b) the per capital income in such districts;

(c) the per capital income in 100 poor districts in the country;

(d) whether out of 100 poorest districts in the country, 38 are in Bihar, if so, whether Government have taken any special measures/ assistance for upliftment of these distrits, on priority basis; and

(e) in not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISRY OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI BABAGOUDA PATIL): (a) and (b) The Ministry of Rural Areas & Employment has not conducted any survey to identify ten most advanced and richest districts of the country.

(c) The Sarma Committee was constituted to identify the criteria for identification of the 100 most backward and poorest districts in the country. Hence the Ministry of Rural Areas and Employment has not identified the 100 poor districts in the Country.

(d) and (e) In view of reply at (c) above, question does not arise.

Watershed Programme in Andhra Pradesh

1669. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Ministry of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYEMNT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any watershed programme has been implemented in Cuddapah and Chitoor districts in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the funds allotted for this purpose in 1998-99;

(c) whether it is a fact that the watershed programme has been effective in raising water levels; and

(d) if so, whether Government propose to enhance propagation of watershed schemes in Andhara pradesh?

The Minister of State of The Ministry of Rural Areas and Employment (Shri Babagowda R Patil):

(a) and (b) Yes, Sir. An amount of Rs. 179.47 lakhs has been released for implementation of project under IWDP scheme in Chitoor district of Adhara Pradesh during 1998-99. No fund has been released to Cuddapah district under IWDP scheme during current year. However, an amount of Rs. 156.79 lakhs has already been released upto 31.3.1998 for implementation of this project.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Government always encourages for enchancing the propagation of Watershed Development Programme in all the States including Andhra Pradesh.

Construction of houses under IAY

1670. SHRIMATI BASANTI SARMA: Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of houses constructed in each State; particularly in Assam, under the Indira Awaas Yojana during 1995 to 1998 and till date;

(b) whether the target fixed by Government for those years have been achieved; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI BABAGOUDA PATIL): (a) The number of houses constructed in each State including Assam under Indira Awas Yojana from 1995 to 1998 and till date is given in the Statement-I (*See* below)

(b) and (c) Target and percentage achievement is given in the enclosed statement-II below. The State-wise targets achieved is reasonably satisfactory.

Statement-I

State-wise Houses constructed under Indira Awaas Yojana during the period from 1995 to 1998 and Till Date.

States/UTs	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99*
Andhra Pradesh	69086	46181	104115	35512
Arunachal Pradesh	420	387	932	84
Assam	24871	13401	17507	8393
Bihar	114506	133244	103506	76419
Goa	967	466	463	431
Gujarat	31770	30481	24439	12443
Haryana	9024	6153	4505	3258
Himachal Pradesh	1727	2373	1843	485
Jammu and Kashmir	3554	10197	6172	4200
Karnataka	37460	45503	43522	24083
Kerala	29368	23202	12834	7847
Madhya Pradesh	125757	87371	101519	61521
Maharashtra	66648	58244	60709	19684
Manipur	784	715	1096	556
Meghalaya	207	646	316	81
Mizoram	569	369	302	255
Nagaland	470	3691	5339	876
Orissa	51033	54612	50023	23014
Punjab	1121	1709	3235	1693
Rajasthan	41756	46682	34858	18304
Sikkim	1065	760	590	410
Tamil Nadu	56885	63959	55830	33380
Tripura	1348	983	1665	2582
Uttar Pradesh	159073	139801	94535	81383
West Bengal	34278	34722	43931	24539
A and N Islands	21	78	6	6
D and N Haveli	13	50	100	5
Daman and Diu	62	92	38	0
Lakshadweep	10	105	60	31
Pondicherry	36	113	214	113
TOTAL	863889	806290	774234	441588

*As per latest information available.

Statement-II

Target and Percentage Achievement Under Indira Awaas Yojana

	1995-96	%age	1996-97	%age	1997-98	%age	1998-99*	%age*
States/UT's	Target	Achiev.	Target	Achiev.	Target	Achiev.	Target	Achiev.
Andhra Pradesh	87642	78.83	84640	54.56	56065	185.70	73645	48.22
Arunachal Pradesh	797	52.70	631	61.33	459	203.05	1046	8.03
Assam	25560	97.30	29197	45.90	18455	94.86	28576	29.37

States/UT's	1995-96 Target	%age Achiev.	1996-97 Target	%age Achiev.	1997-98 Target	%age Achiev.	1998-99* Target	%age* Achiev.
Bihar	217292	52.70	151453	87.98	109982	94.11	171378	44.59
Goa	861	112.31	1736	26.84	548	84.49	130	331.54
Gujarat	34501	92.08	33633	90.63	20581	118.75	19692	63.19
Haryana	10846	83.20	6983	88.11	4943	91.14	10690	30.48
Himachal Pradesh	2736	63.12	2165	109.61	1572	117.24	4879	9.94
Jammu & Kashmir	10561	33.65	5347	190.71	3197	193.06	7699	54.55
Karnataka	52133	71.85	53181	85.56	37653	115.59	39505	60.96
Kerala	24624	119.27	18554	125.05	12454	103.05	17726	44.27
Madhya Pradesh	113384	110.91	147902	59.07	71054	142.92	103652	59.35
Maharashtra	89776	74.24	81120	71.80	61123	99.32	78092	25.21
Manipur	1022	76.71	808	88.49	590	185.76	1911	29.09
Meghyala	1195	17.32	946	68.29	688	45.93	2409	3.36
Mizoram	504	112.90	398	92.71	288	104.86	472	54.03
Nagaland	1281	36.69	1014	364.00	734	727.38	2050	42.73
Orissa	62986	81.02	62248	87.73	45486	109.97	67684	34.00
Punjab	7047	15.91	4966	34.41	3517	91.98	5630	30.07
Rajasthan	50875	82.08	50325	92.76	29524	118.07	35599	51.42
Sikkim	1491	71.43	369	205.96	269	219.33	784	52.30
Tamil Nadu	74205	76.66	71598	89.33	50689	110.14	46258	72.16
Tripura	1327	101.58	1051	93.53	766	217.36	4519	57.14
Uttar Pradesh	204003	77.98	241251	57.95	136645	69.18	188051	43.28
West Bengal	69579	49.26	70979	48.92	50249	87.43	74594	32.90
A and N Islands	377	5.57	337	23.15	236	2.54	202	2.97
D and N Haveli	205	6.34	278	17.99	127	78.74	309	1.62
Daman and Diu	121	51.24	120	76.67	75	50.67	10	0.00
Lakshadweep	189	5.29	0	0.00	121	49.59	17	182.35
Pondicherry	369	9.76	330	34.24	236	90.68	257	43.97
TOTAL	1147489	75.29	1123560	71.76	718326	107.78	987466	44.72

*As per latest information available.

Funds for Watershed Development Programme

1671. SHRI C. RAMCHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Watershed Development Programme is being used from 1st April, 1995, as a tool for overall economic development of rural areas;

(b) if so, what are the total funds available for this programme for various States;

(c) whether all these funds have been spent on schedule;

(d) whether any effective informaion analysis system has been put in place to support the Programme; and

(e) whether regular feedback on the progress and results of the programme has been received by the Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI BABAGOWDA PATIL): (a) Yes, Sir. The Watershed Development Programme is being implemented in the Ministry of Rural Areas and Employment under the Guidelines for